



# CITY OF BRUNSWICK

1 W. Potomac Street • Brunswick, Maryland 21716 • (301) 834-7500

**Finance Committee**  
**Tuesday, 6:00 p.m., February 2, 2010**

Call to Order

Present: Jones, Johnson, Biser, Bowie, Stull, Tome, Smith

Also: Dave Dunn, Pat Hoffmaster, Cheryl Lawson, Sam Ketterman (Davenport), Joe Mason (Davenport), Dan Snyder (Pleasants), and Chief Frech

Financial Analysis - Joe Mason and Sam Ketterman

Attached.

Without re-structuring, large rate increases would be required.

Bid Opening - DNR Boat Ramp

GW Management Services LLC  
\$552,000

JCS General Contractor  
\$192,241

WTP Flocculation options - Dan Snyder  
Attached.

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David B. Dunn

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Carroll A. Jones

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**Tuesday, February 16, 2010, 6:00 p.m.**

Call to Order - Mayor Jones

Attending: Jones, Johnson, Biser, Bowie, Stull, Tome, Smith

Also: Dave Dunn, Pat Hoffmaster, Chief Frech, and Al Danaher.

Others: Jim Castle

Gum Spring and Public Works yard could be repaired with concrete culvert.

## General Fund

Restructuring should only be considered for culverts 2<sup>nd</sup> & A/B St., H St & 5<sup>th</sup> Ave, 3<sup>rd</sup> & A St, D St. between Maple & 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.

Smith - Believes H St & 5<sup>th</sup> is in poorest conditions.  
Would be in favor of engineering analysis.

Gum Spring bridge moved out past 5 years due to priority, estimated \$210,000.

Jones - Gum Springs should be widened.

Have Jeff Holtzinger look at bridges at 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave & A/B St. and H St & 5<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
PW to request core samples.

## Sewer

Only consider large Capital items, i.e., sewer mains at 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave & 4<sup>th</sup> Ave (\$250,000) and East Potomac St (\$250,000).

Biser - Sewer camera should be considered in Bond issue.

Jones - Doesn't believe operational items such as the camera should be included.

Smith - Doesn't like the idea of passing debt on to future citizens.

Water

East C St. will be done by DPW.

Ground slope work pushed out years.

Considered for Bond issue - Dayton Ave. line, Delaware Ave. line & sewer laterals, total \$253,000.

Restructure analysis for \$1,000,000 CIP funding.

Also include revenue from rate increases each year.

Public Works

Manpower issues. One vacancy not filled.

Two current employees are out with major surgery for several months.

Another is going out in March with major surgery.

Currently three down.

Explore hiring two new employees.

Discussion on advertizing for positions.

Johnson, Biser, Bowie, Smith, and Tome agree hiring two permanent employees.

Stull - One now, one later.

Mayor wants one now, one first pay period in April.

Interviews conducted internally, i.e., Al, John, Mayor, and Dave.

Delegate Clagett, Bill 476, "Tax setoff".

Requesting letter of support from Municipalities.

A letter of support will cause further tensions with BoCC.

Consensus is to support. Tome has some reservations but does support.

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David B. Dunn, City Administrator

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Carroll A. Jones, Mayor

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## MAYOR AND COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2010, 7:00 P.M.

### Ordinance 488—Mandatory Bicycle & Skateboard Helmet Law

Lynn Follin, 804 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue—Rides his bike every day. Street is short and level. Doesn't like bicycle helmets, doesn't feel City needs them.

Marianne Willburn, 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue—Disappointed when Chicken Ordinance failed due to budgetary constraints. Disturbed that City would spend funds to write this ordinance and enforce this ordinance. Feels government is taking away citizens' rights. Believes a helmet ordinance is beyond the scope of government and is not needed in Brunswick.

Jerry Cayford, 6 First Avenue—Has spoken to a number of residents regarding this issue. Thinks we should be encouraging children to exercise more. Doesn't believe this issue is about safety, but rather controlling some troublesome kids. Thinks this ordinance is being considered only to hand the police department another tool to utilize in dealing with unruly kids.

Steve Collings, East A Street—Would like some background information regarding this issue. Unable to form an opinion on this issue until more information is given.

Seth Elder, 723 East Potomac Street—Recently moved to Brunswick, has been happy with City so far. Doesn't want City to tell him how to raise his children. Thinks it is important to teach children to use helmets, but doesn't feel parents should be held prosecutable by law.

Smith—No one mentioned skateboarders using helmets. Believes it is important to mention that this ordinance would apply to skateboarders too.

### Ordinance 489—Juvenile Curfew Law

Virginia Borda, 15 10<sup>th</sup> Avenue—Believes children need a curfew to be ready for school the next day.

Seth Elder, 723 East Potomac Street—Doesn't believe government should restrict curfews.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2010, 7:25 p.m.**

CALL TO ORDER

PLEDGE

ROLL CALL—Johnson, Bowie, Stull, Tome, Smith—present; Biser—absent

**MAYOR'S REMARKS**

Recent snow events—City has received many favorable comments, as well as a few who weren't happy. City did not receive any emergency reimbursement for December snow storm. Will apply for February snow storm aide.

Attended Maryland Mayor's Conference last week. Highway User Fund reduction was discussed. Governor O'Malley assures Mayors that there will be an improvement in the coming years.

Met with County Commissioners yesterday to discuss County Comprehensive Plan. County Commissioners eliminated City's growth area. Left meeting yesterday with some modifications, but still more work to be done.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Mayor and Council—January 12, & 26, 2010

Finance—January 5, 2010

Motion to approve—Bowie

2<sup>nd</sup>—Stull

Vote 5-0

Kim Mezzanotte—Received money from Pulte for Galyn Manor in the amount of \$68,193.82 to cover grinder pump purchase, repairs, and outstanding invoices to date. City now officially accepts the streets of Galyn Manor.

**CITIZENS' FORUM**

Marianne Willburn, 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue—Believes City did an excellent job with snow removal. Did not address skateboarding issue because she believes Ellis Burruss addressed that issue well at the last meeting.

Seth Elder, 723 East Potomac Street—Believes overall it is a parent's responsibility to take care of their own kids, not government.

Karin Birch, 6 First Avenue—Is not against helmets. Wonders why City is discouraging bicycle

riders beyond Maryland law.

Steve Collings, 17 East A Street—Asks background of ordinance and Maryland law?

Mayor—Safety was the issue at hand when City officials developed this ordinance. State Helmet Law is already on the books, and City wishes to follow.

Chief Frech—Believes that Maryland doesn't enforce this law because it would tie up court systems. Police receiving complaints regarding children riding on hills, etc. in Brunswick.

Lynn Follin—Believes if you tell children they must wear a helmet, they will opt not to ride at all.

CONSENT AGENDA

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Ordinance 488—Mandatory Bicycle & Skateboard Helmet Law

Bowie—Appreciates all comments, but has also received many phone calls and concerns regarding wish to create this ordinance.

Stull—C&O brochure does require helmet usage required by helmet law. Believes adults should lead by example. This is the City's second public hearing, so all residents have had ample time to research the issue prior to this evening. Will vote in favor of this.

Tome—Has heard from citizens regarding unsafe riding practices of children. Safety is always the Council's concern. Will vote in favor of this for children.

Smith—He is interested in passing this ordinance so Police Department has some enforcement where skateboarders are concerned.

Johnson—Will vote in favor of ordinance.

Johnson—Motion to approve Ordinance 488, age 16 and under, with \$10 fine

2<sup>nd</sup>—Smith

Vote 5-0

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Stull—Motion to approve Ordinance 489

2<sup>nd</sup>—Bowie

